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The masquerade ball given in the the Windermere hall Friday evening was the first of the kind ever attempted in this district, and as everyone knows that the art of dancing is the one pleasure

in which the people here never tire, it is scarcely necessary to add that such an occasion as this was other than successful. It was, indeed, even more successful than was anticipated by the most sanguine. Everyone arrived full of curiosity and determined to have a good time and even most of those who were there merely as spectators intending to remain an hour and then retire, were still interesting themselves when the hour hand pointed 7 a.m. and even then were not willing to depart.

The costumes were varied and each and everyone well represented. There were many very pretty costumes and a great number of comic, while those whose costumes make up consisted more

eductions than dress certainly deserves much credit for ability. To attempt to describe the costumes would occupy unlimited space; were justice done, therefore, below appears only a list of the numerators and their costumes:

LADIES.
Mrs. W. Chamberlain—Highland Lassie
Mrs. G. Chamberlain—Queen of Hearts

GOLDEN
NUGGETS

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Alfred Korteys - Stratona Horse Soldier
Fred. Lammens - C. M. R. Soldier,

serpents collection is being made in all parts of the province by the government's new department act, and it

and plants required 2200 worth of work, and the total cost of the project was \$100,000. The project was completed in 1990 and the results were published in 1991.

The streamer Piamigan left at noon today for the Wadimurung with about 10 tons of freight on board. The Piamigan is now complete and presents a splendid appearance. With such a heavy load on her only draw is raised at night.

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W. P. EVANS, Publisher and Proprietor.

WILMER, B.C., THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 1903.

The wise fellow did not recognize any masked lady Friday evening!

Once again we rise to remark that the scenery in the Columbia valley can't be beat anywhere on earth, and that tourists should be advised on this point.

It is stated that 12,000 arrests were made in Glasgow last year for using obscene language. This should be a warning to people taking anything Scotch.

In nine months a convict in a Chicago jail made \$800 dealing with fellow prisoners. A combine should be formed at once, or also all the tin horns will make for Chicago.

There never has been any reason given why the railway's pink blanket covers the entire valley, nor has any statement been made when it is to be raised. These are questions that the Legislature have been asked to answer at this session.

An Australian editor offers himself as a prize to the lady who will write the best essay on the duties of a wife. That fellow is not sentimental, but evidently is a great financier. Yet he may discover that the pen is sharper than the sword.

It is reported that there are a number of wholesale houses on the Pacific Coast that are endeavoring to do some business with the interior, but weak-eyed people would never know it, as the ads of only a few appear in Kootenay papers and they are so small that a microscope is necessary to locate them.

The Nelson News in referring to the actions of James Dunsinuir says that if it be illegal to persuade non-unionists to quit "scabbing" and join the ranks of unionism, it should be illegal for an employer to dismiss his employees because they join an organization that has not his approval. There is logic in that, and the News is right in referring it to the Legislature.

The people of this district evidently intend that this valley shall truly be known as the "Garden Valley." In every part one sees preparations underway to this end, and there certainly could not be anything better to attract the attention of newcomers to the advantages we here enjoy over other new mining camps. Here we can see the home of the miner—who delves a way up in the mountains—surrounded with all the comforts to be found anywhere in the wide Dominion. His cottage surrounded with lawns, fruit trees and vegetables of every description, and he may also have his cattle and poultry. In brief, he has the ideal home of a miner.

Sir William Mulock made a very important statement in the House at Ottawa recently in reply to a series of questions raised by British Columbia members in reference to the strikes at the coal mines. He said that the government might be justified in assuming jurisdiction so as to enforce the settlement of strikes at coal mines, coal being an essential product. "An essential product"—that may cover a great deal more than coal, if one cares to sermonize. Indeed, is there anything produced that is not essential to the existence of man. No matter what the product may be men, women and children are depending upon it to give them trade or employment—in brief, their life is dependent upon it. The government would be justified in enforcing the settlement of all strikes.

Wm. Macadams, of the Sandon Paystreak, and R. T. Lowery, of the New Denver Ledge, are to start another paper in Vancouver. The Paystreak works have been closed up and it is amalgamated with the Ledge. The new paper will be called "The Ozonagram" and of it the Ledge says: "This name has been manufactured for the

occasion and cannot be found anywhere on earth, or in the dictionary. If the salt air and the comforts of civilization do not flood its editors' upper stories with clammy moss, this new journal will certainly never have cold feet. It will be strenuous from the first line to the last quad. Its editorials will not contain any skimmed milk. Its paragraphs will be like the business end of a needle, and its news hoiled down to pure meat." As Billy's writing once placed him in jail and the Colonel's were prohibited the use of the mail, the notariety of these knights-of-the-quill should create a demand for The Ozonagram. Here's success to the combine.

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Mine	Pounds.	Value
Paradise.....	1,874,000	
" In transit	1,000,000	
Delphine.....	176,441	\$7,340.00
" In transit	135,500	
Parnagian Mines.....	162,000	
" In transit	168,000	
Swansea.....	4,000	
White Cat.....	7,000	
Silver Belt.....	29,500	1,450.00
M. T. Fraction.....	69,036	4,264.03
Bonyan.....	1,000	40.00
	4,126,477	\$13,115.02

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The Legislature has decided to leave the taxes on the crown-granted mineral claims alone, and it is really well that such a decision has been arrived at, for the proposed amendment would have certainly raised much agitation and again this province would be ridiculed. Nevertheless, the attention of the public has been drawn to the fact that there is room for improvement in this direction. Yet it is a very difficult matter to enact legislation to overcome the unfair advantages taken of the present law and at the same time give justice to all concerned.

The average honest prospector finds that he has about all he can do to accomplish \$100 worth of work on each claim every year and he anxiously looks forward to the time when he will have expended \$500 on his claim and can claim it as his property to do with as he pleases. If the prospector had to always keep on working his claims there would be little work done by them except on high grade or very large surface showings. The prospector who accomplishes five years honest work should have his claim if he does that much work and finds no reward he should have the opportunity of developing further at his will.

But where the objection comes in is that many men, who have plenty of good ore showing refuse to take it out and will allow no one to take it out, nor will they sell their property. Thus unfair advantage is taken of the law and consequently whole communities suffer.

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